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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

WEINBERG et al

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For: METHOD OF INHIBITING HIV INFECTION

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Philip Gambel
3/7/02AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as
follows.IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel claims 9-12, 14-19, and 23-25 without prejudice
and add the following new claims in lieu thereof.

26. (New) A method of inhibiting CD44-facilitated
HIV infection of a mononuclear phagocyte susceptible to
infection with a strain of HIV comprising contacting said
mononuclear phagocyte with an anti-CD44 antibody in an

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01 FC:203
02 FC:204amount such that said antibody binds to CD44 molecules
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